October 30, 1931.

Mr. Robert B. Marvin,
193 E. 31st Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Marvin:

Thank you so much for your letter just received. I will be happy to preach in the Central Church on the 22nd of November unless Mr. Frear on his return has another plan. It will be a great pleasure to see you and the family again and I have always been interested in the Central Church. Please accept my cordial thanks.

Yours very sincerely,

WCR*E

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193 East 71st St.
October 29, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I have yours of yesterday, and am sorry that we did not get under motion sooner, and so are compelled to lose the date with you for the 15th of November.

How about the 22nd, a week later? I am not on the committee, but Wilson asked me to get you for the later date in case you were unable to come to us on the 15th. I expect that he will be back from the Ashville meeting on Saturday night, when I will turn the case over to him again.

I do not know what your plans for the New York trip will be, but your friends here at 193 will be very glad if you can come home with us to dinner on the day that you are to be with the church, and will spend so much of the day as your plans will allow. I do not know to what extent our nearness to Elisabeth, N.J. will change your plans from those when you visited us in a like capacity some years ago. Other details can be arranged later. Jane adds her part to the invitation here.

Sincerely yours,

Robert B. Marvin.

Robert B. Marvin.

October 28, 1931.

Mr. Robert B. Morgan,
193 East 31st Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Morgan:

I thank you very much for your letter. I shall be very glad to serve in Central Church whenever you want me. Unfortunately, I am already engaged for November 15th and I will have to ask you to let me have some other date or dates if the committee is so minded.

Wilson Phraner is the son of my very dear friend who roomed opposite me in Princeton Seminary and with whom I was most intimate for the year we were there together. I went to New Rochelle to see him and his new wife just before they sailed for the mission field. I knew and loved Stanley Phraner as I have few men. Of course, I knew Mrs. Arthur also and have been a guest in their home.

I do not wish to force myself on the Central Church in any way but I will be very happy to supply at any time you desire if I have not been previously engaged. It is good to hear from you. I just came from Delaware County and feel the better for breathing that air for a few days.

Most cordially yours,

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193 East 31st St.
October 25, 1931.

Dr. W. C. Robinson,
The Presbyterian,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I fear that you think that your letter of some weeks ago has been neglected, but I will explain. I put it at once into the hands of the committee on pulpit supply with some urgent remarks. I also got the cooperation of Arthur and James More and Wilson Phraner, all of whom you know. It was thought best to do nothing until after to-day, which has been Mr. Fendrich's last Sunday here.

At the close of the service this morning, I was authorized by Wilson Phraner, who is chairman of the committee on supplies, to write to you at once to see if you could come to us for both services on Sunday, November 15th. If so, we shall all be delighted, and I am asked to have you report to me, for Wilson is to be in Ashville at the meeting of the National Board of Missions of which he is a member. If convenient, we should like to know before Thursday in order to get the advance announcement into next Sunday's calendar.

Tracy Griswold, stated clerk of the presbytery and incidentally father of Griswold of Hobart, N.Y., is to have the pulpit next Sunday to make the official announcements. He will also act as our moderator in the interim. You know he used to be an assistant in our church some years ago.

We here at the house are all anxious that you shall be with us on the 15th, and are anticipating a favorable response. The business end of the transaction was not delegated to me, so you will hear further on that later, probably from Phraner.

Yours very cordially,

Robert B. Marvin

Robert B. Marvin,
193 East 31st St.,
Brooklyn-New York.

206 South 13th St.
Philadelphia, Pa.
Oct. 21, 1931

My dear Dr. Robinson:

I am very grateful for your note of sympathy, which came into my hands yesterday, on my return to Phil.-delphia. It is exceedingly good of you to give me these words of comfort. As you well know, and show by the sympathetic word, you write that you know,

my brother was the cleverer in all my sister and all my cousins for many years. But a sorrow like this only shows more than ever is the consolation that have such my brother comforts me.

Sincerely yours

Graham Wallas

October 21, 1931.

Mr. Wm. C. Melcher,
422 Owen Road,
Wynnewood, Pa.

Dear Mr. Melcher:

I did enjoy my afternoon with you exceedingly. Afterwards talking with Mrs. William E. Lloyd whose father was a clergyman, Dr. Thompson, she knew all about you and told me more. I rejoice in your loyalty to the Faith and also in the Christian attitude of your sons. I know you must be a very proud and happy man. It would be such a pleasure to meet Mrs. Melcher.

As I told you, I can make no promise as to time but we will certainly put in the article about the Mercer Home as soon as possible. Mrs. Lloyd was often a guest in that very house when she was a little girl. Mrs. Mercer took a great fancy to her and she has ridden horseback and done many other things on that very spot. You told me of the rule relative to the use of tobacco. Mrs. Lloyd said the Mercer fortune was made out of tobacco which is interesting. Mrs. Mercer also Mrs. Lloyd said was a great society lady and was among the select circle of Philadelphia of that day. I judge her husband died some years before she did. I understand she also left the Mercer Home at or near Atlantic City which is, I believe, specially for children.

At any rate, I had a good time and I will help you in any way I can.

Most cordially yours,

WCR*E

422 Owen Rd
Logan Wood Pa
10/19/31 —

Dear Doctor Robinson: —

Enclosed find a small account of Mercer Stone written at our suggestion by Dr Montgomery. for your use — I trust it is what you will want — I certainly enjoyed the "outing" we had on Friday —

With kindest regards,
Most Cordially Yours
William C Meleher

P.S. —

The "Mid week Service" in your last Presbyterian leaves nothing more to be said except a loud "Amen"

Wm —

3700 CHESTNUT STREET
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PENNA.

October 18th, 1931.

Rev W.Courtland Robinson, D.D.
"The Presbyterian."
1217, Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr Robinson,

Herewith please find the first two copies of the monthly Sermon which we are issuing. We have placed you on our Complimentary List, and the others shall reach you in due course.

We shall be grateful if you could notice this, and say that copies can be had from the Tabernacle Bookstall, 3700, Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa, price for the ten issues, September 1931 to June 1932 being seventy cents. Single copies by mail, seven cents.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) W. M. Howell

Secretary.

October 15, 1931.

Mr. Hugh R. Monro,
60 Lloyd Road,
Montclair, N. J.

Dear Mr. Monro:

I am sending you under another cover samples of the booklets sent out by the Presbyterian Board of Christian Education. You are expert in such matters and I hope you can take the time and will give us a fair criticism. I do not care how much you press the Board but give us that which the people ought to know. I receive much criticism of their work and perhaps these samples will enlighten us. I have not read them myself.

Yours very sincerely,

WCR*E

October 13, 1931.

Rev. James H. Miers,
Fourth Presbyterian Church,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Miers:

I would be very happy to do anything in my power for Mr. Toppin. My opportunities are rather limited but on occasion I am able to say a helpful word.

Yours very sincerely,

Washington,D.C.,
October 10,1931.

Dr.W.Courtland Robinson,
Editor, Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,Phila.,Pa.

Dear Dr.Robinson:

I understand from my friend Rev.Wm.H.Topping of the Washington City Presbytery that he has met you in your office, and possibly you may recall him. Mr.Topping has labored with great success in our Presbytery for the last seven years and is now seeking a pastorate. Being a strong fundamentalist he is desirous of locating with a congregation thatwants such a minister of the Word.

I take great pleasure in sending you this personal word. I have known Mr.Topping during a period of somewhat more than five years during which time he has been a Minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Presbytery.

Mr.Topping is a well educated man,being a graduate of Hanover College and of Princeton Theological Seminary. He has a pleasing personality, and is a faithful worker in the Lord's vineyard. He is greatly blessed in having a very devoted Christian wife who shares actively in all the work which he does.

I have also the greatest pleasure in commending the truthfulness of his message to the Word of God. He is true to the fundamental truths which cluster around the personality of Jesus Christ our Lord. In type he is an exceptionally able speaker and thinker and delights in opening up the Word of God. He is thoroughly orthodox, evangelical in tone and spirit.

Altogether I have the very highest pleasure in commending him to your interest and sympathy in the hope that you may be instrumental in bringing him into touch with a congregation which may desire such a man - a faithful Gospel minister,and a man who is a diligent hard worker. I am sure that they will find in him a loyal,honest minister of the Lord God.

This is given freely and without any prejudice on the part of the writer.

Yours faithfully,

James H. Rhea

Minister Fourth Presbyterian Church.

October 7, 1931.

Mr. Robert Marvin,
Central Presbyterian Church,
Jefferson and Marcie Avenues,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Marvin:

I notice you are to lose your pastor. Probably, for a time you will be using supplies. I have had the privilege and honor of preaching in Central Church hitherto and I would be very happy to supply you on occasion if it meets your approval. You can find me usually at the above address.

Most sincerely yours,

CR*S

October 1, 1931.

Rev. C. N. Martindale, D.D.,
616 Federal Avenue,
Morgan City, La.

Dear Dr. Martindale:

At your request I send you the manuscript which you forwarded to us.

Yours very truly,

Presbyterian Church
C. O'N. MARTINDALE, Ph. D., D. D.
Minister

616 Federal Ave.,
Morgan City, Louisiana,
Aug. 25, 1931

Dear Bro. Robinson:

I note you have articles by Southern Presbs once in a while. - I herewith enclose an article that will open up a Scripture not usually analyzed (1 Cor. 15), - the opening sermon as Moderator of spring meeting of New Orleans Presbytery (U.S.), hoping you will run it as I send it without change.

I appreciate your fine stand for things good + true, + enjoy "Presbyterian" always.

Faithfully Your subscriber,

C. O'N. Martindale

September 30, 1931.

Miss Gwaldys Matthews,
% Mrs. Alvarez,
102 Greenwich Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Miss Matthews:

Miss Rachel McDowell of New York has written me relative to you. I count your father one of my very best friends and I had the privilege of meeting your mother some years ago in Louisville, Kentucky. There is no one for whom I would be happier to do service than for one of the Matthews family. Miss McDowell says you would like a position in connection with this paper. Unfortunately, we are in no position to take on any new help. We are having our own troubles to maintain ourselves and we are all filling in the vacant places as best we can.

I hope you will understand that this is an absolute necessity on our part and we hope that we will be able to continue the paper but at present it is hard to do so.

Yours very sincerely,

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Tel. 131-31

September 22, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Dr. Robinson:-

I believe it is about time for me to renew my subscription for "The Presbyterian," and I enclose check for $3.00, for that purpose.

A little while ago, my daughter, a girl of twenty, after a year's severe illness, left me for the eternal home, going with a smile, a prayer and a promise. It was naturally a very severe blow and we miss her bodily presence, but rejoice that her spirit is with the Master. In such circumstances, as well as in all others, the Christian faith is a marvellous upbearing force, and it is sweet to know that our Father's decrees are decrees of mercy and love.

Naturally in such conditions one reflects more deeply on things eternal. I tried to make plain to my own mind a comforting thought that came to me yesterday and set it down on paper under the title: "The Vestibule of Paradise." I wonder if you care to use it in your columns.

Faithfully yours,

Alexander Marlowe

September 29, 1931.

Mr. Hugh R. Monro,
60 Lloyd Road,
Montclair, N. J.

Dear Mr. Monro:

There is considerable commotion in the office over the matter of unpaid bills which will amount as of October 1st to $8,000. The largest is for paper which increases $180 a week and now amounts to $1400. Mr.Sandberger is in great fear lest the company stops sending [illegible] and has had no reply, which is unusual and puzzling.

[illegible] well know how you men have supported CHG [illegible] and regret the present situation. We are praying God to supply our needs in His own way.

I write this letter to you, not in any way to "go over" Mr. Marble[illegible] but because the situation seems to be very pressing and you are Secretary of the Company. I had no expectation of becoming involved in the financial side of the paper but I cannot see all in anxiety without sharing it.

I hope something can be done immediately before we are hard pressed by creditors.

Cordially yours,

September 16, 1931.

Mr. Hugh R. Monro,
Montclair National Bank,
Montclair, N. J.

Dear Mr. Monro:

I have not yet received "The New Chronicle" which doubtless will come during the day or soon.

I am going to a conference at Buck Hill Falls tomorrow and next day. I do not know just what it is but some enterprise headed, I think, by John R. Mott. From there I will go to Delhi to remain until the 26th. I have been down here during this extreme heat and in fact most of the summer. I will have to go to Delhi to arrange for our removal, Mrs. Robinson coming here probably in the middle of October. I also feel the need of a little respite as the heat has been so severe.

Your suggestions as to the make-up of the paper will be taken up with Mr. Sandberger as you suggest.

Yours very cordially,

HUGH R. MONRO
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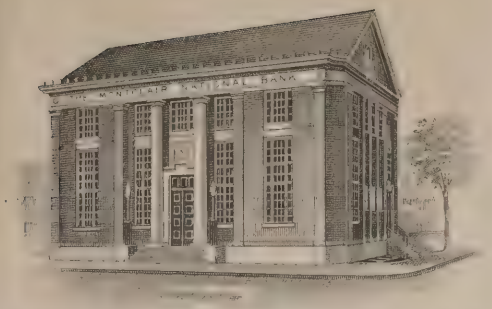

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MONTCLAIR, N.J.

September 15, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, Editor,
"The Presbyterian,"
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I am sending to you under separate cover copy of "The New Chronicle," a British publication devoted to Sunday School interests.

There is something rather attractive about the arrangement of the material in this paper, particularly the headings and I would be glad if you would go over this with Mr. Sandberger with a view to some modifications in this respect. The idea of an occasional single column heading using large type is, I think, a good one which breaks up the monotony of the page. It seems to me that this might be applied to the Sunday School and Young People's Departments, also such features as Dr. Morgan's and Dr. Hutchinson's articles. I have long felt that the Sunday School and young people's material is in the wrong place and should appear about page 16.

I think the rearrangement of the second page of the paper introducing "A Thought a Day" is a decided advantage and the material most interesting.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh R. Monro

HRM:S

MANGUM PRESBYTERY
JOHN W. MOSELEY, JR.,
STATED CLERK AND TREASURER
805 ASH
DUNCAN, OKLAHOMA

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The Presbyterian,

Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Presbyterian:

I am sending herewith a manuscript on " Christian Perfection " for your examination. If it seems available for your good columns please use at your convenience. If not available an early return will be highly appreciated. With best wishes, I am sincerely and

Truly,

J. W. Moseley Jr.

HOTEL SCHENLEY
Bigelow Boulevard at Schenley Park
PITTSBURGH, PA.

Saturday

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Enclosed you will find the officially authorized release regarding the meeting just held by the Committee on Organic Union.

This is the only authorized information which is being given publicity, and is being sent to each of our Church papers.

Yours sincerely

[illegible]

Secretary

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

EXECUTIVE HEAD
REV. LEWIS S. MUDGE, D.D., LL.D.
STATED CLERK

GENERAL OFFICE
514 WITHERSPOON BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

August 28, 1931

Reverend W. Cortland Robinson, D.D.
Editor, The Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Doctor Robinson:

It is a pleasure to respond to your request for information with reference to the rule under which the members of the four church boards are now elected. This rule is recorded in General Assembly Minutes, 1930 edition, Part I, page 110. On recommendation of the standing committee on Bills and Overtures, the 1930 General Assembly adopted the following:

> "That the Assembly rescind the present rule that no member of any of the boards of the church should be eligible for re-election after having served for two full terms, until one year has elapsed, and substitute a rule that hereafter, the standing committees of the General Assembly on the four boards, in making nominations for the membership of the four boards, shall present names, of whom not more than two-thirds may have completed within the year a term of six years."

It was under this rule that the members of the four boards, elected to office at the last General Assembly, were so elected. If I can be of further service, please command me.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,

L. S. Mudge

Lewis S. Mudge
Stated Clerk

LSM:P

Ithaca, N.Y.
August 27, 1931.

My dear Ex-pastor,

The favors that I have asked of you during the past ten years have been countless so I just could not refuse to do this. But I have a feeling that the request will not be repeated! It is years since I have done the like and thus not easy but good for my feeble brain I must confess! We have hardly seen you all summer and had hoped to see so much of you. Is it our fault or yours? Sincerely, a lamb.

August 27, 1931.

Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear brother Mark:

It was fine of you to give us the boom in your church program. It ought to help a lot. I offer you my sincere gratitude.

Yours most sincerely,

August 26, 1931.

Rev. Lewis S. Mudge, D.D., LL.D.,
Office of the General Assembly,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Mudge:

I write to you as Stated Clerk. I have received several letters bringing up the question as to whether the rule obtained that a proportion of each Board membership shall be changed each year and men having served six years are to be displaced. I am not in sympathy with such a rule but that is not the question. Does the rule exist? I remember Dr. Matthews pushed it at one time and I judged from his letter to THE PRESBYTERIAN that he considered it enforced. I know that Dr. Cobb of Elizabeth expected to be displaced at the last Assembly. If the rule exists was it obeyed last May at the Pittsburgh Assembly? I have had many inquiries concerning that matter. I hope that you can direct someone in the office to send me the information.

Yours most cordially,

August 24, 1931.

Messrs. John R. Mott and Stanley High,
500 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

I have received your invitation to be present at the conference at Buck Hill Falls, September 17th and 18th. Dr. Mudge had previously given me a notice. So far as I know, I will be able to be there.

Yours very truly,

500 Fifth Avenue
Suite 1434
New York City

August 20, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

A group of us drawn together by a serious burden and conviction, after prolonged consideration and consultation, have just reached the unanimous decision that there should be held in the early autumn a meeting of not over one hundred recognized leaders of Protestant denominations of the United States to consider some of the most emergent problems and critical issues urgently demanding united thought and action on the part of the Protestant Churches of America.

Prominent among these issues are: (1) The impending continuation through another winter of the vast volume of unemployment and of related economic distress; (2) the widespread lawlessness with its disintegrating influence on every hand; (3) the disarmament issue which will culminate in the great decisions to be made at the conference in Europe next February; and (4) basic to all, the tightening grip of secularism. To this end we have been asked to bring together such a group at Buck Hill Falls, Cresco, Pennslvania, for an intimate and thorough sharing of burdens, visions, insights, and constructive counsels. It is the hope that this consultation will result in a suggested program of concrete steps which can be immediately taken by the various denominations locally and nationally. The meeting will begin at 9 A.M. on Thursday, September 17th, and close in the evening of the following day, the 18th, in time for the members who wish to do so, to take sleeping car trains.

It is our earnest desire that you personally be present throughout this meeting. We deem your collaboration indispensable just as we regard the conference itself as of the utmost immediate importance. We trust, therefore, that you will kindly arrange to come even though it may involve difficult readjustment in your program. Please reply to Stanley High, 500 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Very sincerely yours,

John R. Mott

John R. Mott, chairman
Stanley High, executive secretary.

For the Committee.

Dr. Albert W. Beaven
Dr. Wm. Hiram Foulkes
Dr. Lewis S. Mudge
Bishop Wm. F. McDowell
Dr. Daniel A. Poling

First Presbyterian Church
Seattle, Washington

August 17, 1931.

Rev. W. C. Robinson, D. D.
Editor, The Presbyterian
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Brother:

Yours received and contents carefully noted.

I will do what I can to help you get subscribers. Of course, there are no wealthy people here that I can appeal to for contributions, but I will do my best for you. I have a good notice in the bulletin this week about what you propose to do, and I will write an article for the paper on what we hope to accomplish. I will do these things for you to the best of my ability.

Your true friend,

M. A. Matthews

August 20, 1931.

Rev. Lewis S. Mudge, D.D.,
Witherspoon Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Mudge:

Thank you for your telegram received this morning. So far as I know, it will be possible for me to be at the conference at Buck Hill Falls Inn, September 17th and 18th.

Yours most cordially,

August 30, 1931.

Mr. E. M. Gartrell,
Ashland Division,
Ashland, Ky.

Dear Mr. Gartrell:

Your letter of August 18th is before me. I think there are thousands who aree with you

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LEWIS SEYMOUR MUDGE MODERATOR.

August 12, 1931.

Rev. R. T. Milnes,
Fort Collins,
Colorado.

Dear Mr. Milnes:

I have your letter of August 4th. All the commentators accessible to me have said that probably Paul did not see Jesus in the flesh. It is true that as a loyal Jew he would probably be in Jerusalem at the Passover from year to year but there is no statement of that and thousands of Jews omit visiting Jerusalem though observing the day at home. You remember that Jesus was not a public figure in Jerusalem except for three Passover seasons and Paul might have missed them. Had he seen Jesus in the flesh there might be some doubt as to whether he would have had that vision on the way to Damascus. It is all inference from omission of the record and your inference is just as good as mine. Personally, I think that he did not see Jesus during his ministry or if he had he was so antagonistic that he would not have any interest.

I have not time to go into the matter more fully but will be glad to find out more about it if possible. I will try to remember to refer your letter to some authoritative scholar after September first. Most of them are away now.

Yours very sincerely,

Fort Collins, Col. August 4, 1931

Editor Presbyterian

Dear Sir:- In your issue of July 30, Dr. Robinson, in his comments on the Sunday School lesson, says:- "that Paul after his school days in Jerusalem, returned to Tarsus, and was not in Jerusalem again during Jesus ministry, so never saw Him in the flesh." I would like to know why he makes this statement.

Was not every loyal jew expected to be in Jerusalem at the Passover feast ? Could we expect a jew as loyal as was Saul, to stay away from Jerusalem and as important a gathering as the Passover feast for a series of years ? I think not.

To me, it seems more logical to assume that he saw Jesus many times when he was known as the carpenter of Nazareth, and each time after Jesus revealed Himself to be the Son of God, and was there during the trial and crucifixion.

Will you please have Dr. Robinson explain this through the columns of your excellent paper ? Should be glad to know if I am in error.

Sincerely

R. T. Milnes

August 11, 1931.

Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Brother Mark:

Thank you for the copy of the letter you have sent to Mr. Monro. Your encouragement stimulates me very much and we appreciate your endorsement on your church bulletin. We are after subscribers now and I am sending a letter to each pastor in Seattle Presbytery making very generous terms for subscriptions. Perhaps you can say a word to help the matter.

THE PRESBYTERIAN is also in hard financial straits. Two men have been giving tens of thousands of dollars. It does not seem fair that the great burden should be put upon two and they (one at least) are not in as easy a situation as two years ago. Have you not some good conservative men in Seattle who can send us five hundred or one thousand dollars? We do not want the old PRESBYTERIAN to go down as many church papers are doing. We must have fifteen thousand dollars before April first. Mr. Harbison has done so much that I do not like to have him do more. He gave Dr. Craig ten thousand and has given many thousands since. He must not bear the load alone. I know times are hard but I also think that many believe a church paper is self-supporting. There is not one that I know of that is not subsidized by devoted people. Many who formerly helped THE PRESBYTERIAN (Mrs. Thaw, Mrs. Manson, and others) have gone. Mait Alexander used to help us but he does not now and I have struggled with very meager financial help.

Now, you are a power and you can aid us immensely if you so will. I am so anxious to add at least five thousand subscribers and to receive fifteen thousand dollars before April first that I am doing what I never did before -- soliciting individuals. I believe we are doing God's work. The editor may be too mild but we are making friends and I want to avoid some of the pitfalls into which my predecessor fell.

After a talk with him, I am sure that "Christianity Today" is costing more than he is able to meet and I think he meets it alone. I will endeavor to shoot stronger and will welcome your articles for they are always very popular.

Most cordially yours,

Confidential. Copy

August 5, 1931.

Mr. Hugh R. Monro, President
The Montclair National Bank
Montclair, N. J.

My dear Brother:

Yours in re my article in the Presbyterian received and contents carefully noted. I thank you for your words of approval and I appreciate more than ever your request for me to write other articles along the same line. I am encouraged by your endorsement of the frank, matter-of-fact way in which I have discussed the subject in the article under consideration and by your desire for me to write future articles in a similar manner. I shall do so and submit them to the paper frequently.

You are doing a wonderful work for the paper, and as the Scriptures say, "Do not grow weary in well doing." There is much to discourage us, and there is much to discourage business men who are harassed with the confused business conditions, but remember Christ is at the right hand of the Father, God is in His Heaven, the Holy Spirit is here as the Executive of the Trinity. The Church of Jesus Christ, the Body of Christ, can not be destroyed. The gates of hell shall not prevail against it. It shall be victorious. The Church shall not pass through the tribulation. His Body shall triumph.

We must make this paper the great editorial orthodox voice of the Church. I said so last Sunday in my sermon and in the bulletin distributed to the Church every Sunday morning. I said that it is the orthodox editorial voice of the Church, and we must so make it.

I am going to write Dr. Robinson and ask him to write with the same vigor and determination that I have written in that article. He may offend some of the pacifists and would-be social Christian snobs -- but, who cares? It is testimony we need today, testimony with a positive note in absolute belief, testimony in the presence and power of Jesus Christ. We need holy boldness, and I am going to ask him to write along those lines.

We will bring the old church back. She shall not be influenced by emasculated gentlemen and sterilized old maids. She shall not yield to the bolshevistic, rationalistic, Federal Council of Churches. She shall not yield to the modernistic, so-called intellectual nonentities who are in the church. She shall stand true to the standards of the church, to the faith delivered once for all to the Saints. She shall be the voice of orthodoxy and of vigorous, virile faith.

I shall ask Dr. Robinson to write along those lines and I will follow.

I have to be in Toronto in October and am coming on to New York. I hope to see you. We will discuss these matters at length. God bless you.

With best regards, and again thanking you for your approval and for your request to write other articles, I am

Your true friend,

M. A. MATTHEWS

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ROSEBURG CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Roseburg, Oregon
August 1, 1 9 3 1

Reverend Mark A. Matthews, D. D.
Pastor First Presbyterian Church
Seattle, Washington

Dear Doctor Matthews:

It is certainly refreshing to read an article such as I recently read in the PRESBYTERIAN from your pen. After reading a vast amount of "dish-water" that comprises the greatest majority of stuff we get in the ordinary religious periodical, it certainly does a man good to read a fearless article such as yours was.

I am an Elder in our church. Have been a Presbyterian for over 55 years, fundamentally sound in doctrine, if not always in conduct, and I am also a premillanarian, and you can readily see how pleased I naturally would be with your forceful expression.

In my judgment the church is either in for a world-wide revival or the rapture of the church is at hand, possibly both, and in the immediate offing.

Again thanking you for what I consider a beautiful summing up of our church situation, I beg to remain

Yours in the Faith

(Sgd) W. C. HARDING

August 7, 1931.

Miss Blanche M. Milligan,
1792 Cole St.,
Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Miss Milligan:

I have your letter of August 5th. We have done nothing relative to filling the place occupied by Miss [illegible]. Your history is certainly very favorable. I do not know what the directors of this paper will do when they meet.

Yours very sincerely,

August 7, 1931.

Miss Grace Maxwell,
131 Main Street,
Newton, N. J.

Dear Miss Maxwell:

Your letter received. We have taken no steps to fill the large place left by Miss Alexander. I cannot tell what will be done until the directors meet and do not know the time when they will be brought together. Hence, I can say nothing to you relative to the matter.

Yours most sincerely,

131 Main St. Newton, N.J.

The Presbyterian,

July 27, 1931

Dear Sirs,

When it becomes necessary to make new plans for your page devoted to the Sunday School Lesson you may see the way to use of Illustrations in connection with other help for the Lesson. Kindly consider me an applicant for such work for you. I enclose papers that show what I now do in Illustrations for Gospel Press Publication & for Alliance papers. For each of these I have completed the work, 1932, and yet I have much illustrative material from which to draw. Remuneration would be from you according to your general plan for space and type of material.

Yours truly

(Miss) Grace Maxwell

1792 Cole Street,
Columbus, Ohio,
August 5, 1931.

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

I notice in your issue of July 30 a statement to the effect that no arrangements have been made to continue the Sunday School lessons for children. Miss Alexander's column has been so excellent and has made the lessons so clear that it seems very unfortunate to have it discontinued.

I am wondering if I could not do something along that line to help you out. Of course, you will want to know something about me before publishing anything that I may write for a paper that maintains such a high doctrinal standard as yours.

I am a granddaughter of Rev. W. V. Milligan who was pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Cambridge, Ohio for forty-five years, and a daughter of F. B. Milligan, who was an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Columbus, Ohio for thirty-six years. I have been teaching in the First Presbyterian Sunday School of Columbus for fifteen years, having had experience in the junior, intermediate, and senior departments. At present I am also taking a correspondence course from The Moody Bible Institute. I have also had Normal School training and formerly taught in the public schools of this city. I have written several juvenile stories which have been published in small books. Theologically, I am a strict fundamentalist. I say none of these things in a spirit of boasting, but only that you may know as much as possible about me, as I know you would desire to know.

The Herald and Presbyter, which consolidated with your paper, was in my paternal grandfather's home and my maternal great grandmother's home when I was a small child, and I don't know how much longer ago. If I can be of any service to you now, I should be glad to send you some sample articles and also send any references that you may wish.

Ypurs in the Lord's work,

(Miss) Blanche M. Milligan

First Presbyterian Church
Seattle, Washington

July 29, 1931

Rev. W. Cortland Robinson, D. D. L. D.
Editor The Presbyterian
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Brother:

I thank you for your courtesy in publishing my article. I am receiving letters. They have begun to pour in thanking me for the article and asking me to write another one like it. Do you want me to do so?

I thank you for your editorial approval printed on Page Six.

Please send me extra copies of the paper.

Best regards,

Rev. W. A. Matthews

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August 6, 1931.

Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear brother Mark:

Your article was most excellent. Send me all you choose or will of the same kind. There is no writer more popular to PRESBYTERIAN readers than you are. I may not be able to print at once but I will at the first opportunity.

Yours most sincerely,

W. COURTLAND ROBINSON, D.D.
EDITORIAL ROOMS
THE PRESBYTERIAN
1217 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA

August 6, 1931.

Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D.D.,
First Presbyterian Church,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Dr. Matthews: